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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Cover Publicity for Project CHALICE

1. The recent Soviet notes of protest and the several speculative press articles of the past, which have reported the U-2 having a camera carrying capability, have prompted a Staff publicity effort admitting to such a capability but associating it with the furtherance of science rather than photo reconnaissance.

2. The attached folder outlines and describes the publicity that has been prepared and the manner in which it will be released. It is believed that a public announcement of this sort, in a recognized scientific publication, will help to reduce the effects of past speculative articles should such be referred to in any future complaints registered by the Soviet Union or other foreign powers.

*I suggest you read
the one page "Summary"*

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